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CASUALTY MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CDES (TEEM, ELIZABETH)
SUBJECT: DEATH OF ELIZABETH TEEM

REF: MARSEILLE 0121

TO: MR. AND MRS. TEEM
3142 SOMERSET DRIVE
SHAKER HEIGHTS, OHIO
TEL: (216) 561-6617

1. IT IS WITH UTMOST SYMPATHY THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH EARLY THIS MORNING LOCAL TIME OF YOUR DAUGHTER ELIZABETH DUE TO THE INJURIES FROM THE ACCIDENT REPORTED IN MY PREVIOUS MESSAGE. THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL STAFF AT LA TIMONE HOSPITAL REPORTS THAT DEATH DUE TO HEAD INJURIES OCCURED DESPITE THEIR BEST EFFORTS.

2. THE CONSULATE GENERAL HAS TAKEN POSSESSION OF ALL PERSONAL ITEMS YOUR DAUGHTER HAD AT THE TIME OF HER ACCIDENT, AND WITHIN THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS WILL PREPARE AN ITEMIZED INVENTORY WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU WITH A REQUEST FOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISPOSITION.

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3. REGRETFULLY I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED SOON TO MAKE FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR ELIZABETH. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT SHIPMENT BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR DAUGHTER'S REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO CLEVELAND WOULD COST DOLS. 3,000.00. CREMATION AND

SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO U.S. WOULD COST DOLS. 1,000.00. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED, THE COST IS DOLS. 800.00. THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL IS DOLS. 600.00. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

4. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, MARSEILLE, FRANCE AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.

B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH THE BANK OF AMERICA AT MARSEILLE, FRANCE (TELEX NO 420 278) PAYABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL.

C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S., YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

5. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY 4 DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETING OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

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6. LOCAL AUTHORITIES REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION OF DEATH CERTIFICATE: NAMES OF PARENTS INCLUDING MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER.

7. A POLICE INQUEST INTO THE ACCIDENT WILL BE HELD, AND WILL INFORM YOU OF THESE STEPS AND RELATED INFORMATION AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.

WE REMAIN AT YOUR DISPOSAL DURING THIS TRYING PERIOD.

9. BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.

10. FOR DEPARTMENT: ADDRESS IN REFTTEL INCORRECT. IF IT WAS UNDELIVERABLE POST REQUESTS DEPARTMENT REDELIVER IT USING ADDRESS ON THIS CABLE. MEIMA

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